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1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23
2 BY JOHNSON, LUNDBY, REHBERG, HAMMOND, FREEMAN,
3 SOUKUP, HARPER, GREINER, BOETTGER, TINSMAN, and KRAMER
4 (COMPANION TO LSB 3577HH BY TYMESON)
5 A Concurrent Resolution encouraging state and local
6 governments, business interests, health care
7 professionals, and individuals with an interest in
8 good health to help educate the public regarding
9 osteoporosis prevention, detection, and treatment,
10 and designating April 12, 2001, as Osteoporosis
11 Awareness Day.
12 WHEREAS, osteoporosis is a condition of reduced
13 bone mass that primarily affects women, resulting in
14 crippling bone fractures; and
15 WHEREAS, osteoporosis is a progressive disease that
16 generally is revealed with bone fractures occurring in
17 the hips, spine, and wrists; and
18 WHEREAS, the prevalence of osteoporosis in Iowa
19 continues to grow, with an estimated one out of every
20 three women and one out of every eight men in Iowa
21 affected, and by 2015, the Iowa Department of Public
22 Health estimates the annual cost to Iowans for
23 treatment, and long-term care, and other needs could
24 reach \$229 million; and
25 WHEREAS, osteoporosis can be prevented or slowed
26 with education, regular exercise beginning in
27 childhood, and proper nutrition, especially
28 consumption of calcium; and
29 WHEREAS, low-bone density and osteoporosis can be
30 detected through bone density testing and treated with

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1 certain medications; and

2 WHEREAS, bone density testing is noninvasive, and
3 can be conducted simply and painlessly; and

4 WHEREAS, the Iowa Osteoporosis Coalition, Inc., the
5 Iowa Pharmacy Association, and Hy-Vee Food Stores are
6 recognized as contributors to making bone density
7 testing more available, in part by providing bone
8 density testing at the Capitol in conjunction with
9 Osteoporosis Awareness Day on April 12, 2001; and

10 WHEREAS, educational efforts to raise awareness
11 regarding osteoporosis should be targeted both to
12 youth, who are increasingly substituting consumption
13 of soft drinks in place of milk, and to adults; NOW
14 THEREFORE,

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF
16 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the Iowa General
17 Assembly designates April 12, 2001, as Osteoporosis
18 Awareness Day.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Iowa health care
20 professionals, county health departments, public and
21 private schools, hospitals, area agencies on aging,
22 employer-operated wellness programs, health care
23 insurers, health care benefit management
24 organizations, women's groups, nonprofit
25 organizations, professional associations, religious
26 and other community-based organizations, and others
27 who can provide educational information to youth and
28 adults are encouraged to provide general educational
29 information to the public concerning osteoporosis, as
30 well as the methods for preventing osteoporosis, the

1 importance of bone density testing and other means of
2 detecting low-bone density osteoporosis, and
3 approaches for treating osteoporosis.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Iowa Osteoporosis
5 Coalition, Inc., the Iowa Pharmacy Association, and
6 Hy-Vee Food Stores are thanked for providing bone
7 density testing at the Capitol in conjunction with
8 Osteoporosis Awareness Day.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage of this
10 Resolution, an official copy shall be sent by the
11 Secretary of the Senate to the Iowa Department of
12 Public Health for dissemination as part of its efforts
13 to educate the public concerning osteoporosis.

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